

REMARKS

The Amendments

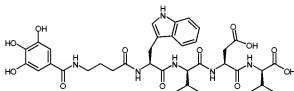
The Applicants have canceled claims 13-17 and 24-29 without prejudice to the filing of divisional applications. Claims 1, 7, 9, 10, and 12 have been amended; however, no new matter has been introduced. Claims 7 and 9 have been amended to be consistent with claim 1, but the scope of these claims remains unchanged. Support for this amendment can be found in the claims as originally filed. Support for the amendment of claim 10 can be found in Table 3, compounds 27 and 28.

Lastly, new claim 30 has been added. Support for claim 30 can be found in Table 3, compounds 27 and 28 of the specification as filed. With these amendments claims 1-12, 18-23, and 30 are pending.

The Restriction Requirement

The claims have been restricted into 5 groups asserted to be lacking the unity of invention. In response, Applicants hereby elect Group I claims drawn to a compound and a composition thereof (i.e. claims 1-12 and 18-23) for prosecution.

To comply with the requirement for a species election, Applicants further elect compound 28 (please see peptide 28, Table 3 at page 21). This compound can be represented by the following structure:



Claims 1, 3, 4, 6, 7, 10-12, 18-23 and 30 read on the elected species.

If there are any questions or comments regarding this response or application, the Examiner is encouraged to contact the undersigned attorney as indicated below.

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